

Application No.: 09/245,198
Amendment and Reply dated January 22, 2004
In response to Examiner's Office Action dated July 22, 2003

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Jeffrey Browning and Yves
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Application No. : 09/245,198 Confirmation No.: 4642

Filed : February 5, 1999

For : A TUMOR NECROSIS FACTOR RELATED LIGAND

Group Art Unit : 1635

Examiner : Richard Schnizer

New York, New York
January 22, 2004

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the July 22, 2003 Office Action in the above-identified application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants have petitioned concurrently herewith for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action. With the extension, a response is due on or before January 22, 2004. A check in the amount of

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\$950.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R.
§ 1.17(a)(3), is filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

The Declaration of Jeffrey Browning, Ph.D. under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 is filed concurrently herewith.*

* An executed version of this Declaration will be filed shortly.